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FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1540
INFO AMEMBASSY ALGIERS
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AMEMBASSY RABAT

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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: MEETING NEXT WEEK WITH SOVIET AMBASSADOR

REF: (A) ALGIERS 1410, (B) RABAT 2538

1. FRENCH AMBASSADOR TOLD US MAY 8 THAT SOVIET AMBASSADOR
IN ALGIERS TOLD HIS FRENCH COUNTERPART THAT THE SOVIET-
MOROCCAN FISHING AGREEMENT DOES NOT, RPT NOT, COVER THE
MOROCCAN-CLAIMED WATERS OFF THE COAST OF THE WESTERN
SAHARA. APPARENTLY, THE FRENCH EXPECT THE GOM TO REACT
TO THIS SOVIET POSITION.

2. ON MATTERS TO RAISE WITH RYKOV, WE WOULD, OF COURSE,
BE INTERESTED IN HAVING HIS VIEWS ON SOVIET POLICY IN
NORTH AFRICA, INCLUDING HIS COMMENTS ON THE NATURE AND
EXTENT OF SOVIET SUPPORT FOR ALGERIA'S BACKING OF THE
POLISARID, AND SOVIET ATTITUDES TOWARDS THE FRONT ITSELF.
ALTHOUGH IT MAY BE DIFFICULT TO GET HIS COMMENTS, IT WOULD
BE USEFUL TO KNOW WHAT, IF ANY, CONTROLS THE SOVIETS MAY
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BE PLACING ON THE ARMS THEY DELIVER TO THE GOA, PARTICU-
LARLY WITH RESPECT TO RETRANSFER OR USE OTHER THAN
SELF-DEFENSE. TOON

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